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Attached is a 10 page Response and 2 pages of Attachements to the outstanding Office Action dated 06/29/2004 setting a 2 month response time for:

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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Application No.: 10/605,978

Applicant: Mark W. Fero

Filed: 11/11/2003 TC/Art Unit: 3612

Examiner: Hilary L. Gutman

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria VA 22313-1450

#### **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated 06/29/2004. This amendment is timely filed if filed on or before 08/29/2004.

No additional fee is required.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.